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Hearing Time: 10:50 a.m.

Attorneys for Club Ventures Investments, LLC d/b/a DavidBartonGym in a negligence action

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:

CLUB VENTURES INVESTMENTS LLC,

DECLARATION OF CARLA VARRIALE

Chapter 7 Case No. 17-10060-shl

Debtor. -----X

**CARLA VARRIALE, ESQ.**, an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the Courts of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, hereby affirms the following:

- 1. I am associated with HAVKINS ROSENFELD RITZERT & VARRIALE, LLP., attorneys for defendant Club Ventures Investments, LLC, d/b/a DavidBartonGym ("DBG") in a negligence action pending in Supreme Court, New York County under index number 150695/2013 ("the Action"), which relates to an accident that allegedly occurred on April 23, 2012. As such, I am fully familiar with the facts and proceedings set forth herein.
- 2. This Declaration is submitted in relation to the motion of movant Scott Barbuto who is the plaintiff in the Action for entry of an Order granting him relief from the automatic stay imposed on the Action by way of the instant bankruptcy filing. This Declaration is

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submitted primarily to ensure that any Order lifting the stay limits any recovery by Mr. Barbuto

against DBG in the Action to the proceeds of the available insurance coverage.

3. As set forth in the document annexed hereto as **Exhibit "1,"** as of the date of Mr.

Barbuto's alleged accident, DBG was insured by a commercial general liability insurance policy

issued by National Casualty Company with a policy limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence. DBG

was also insured by a commercial excess liability policy issued by National Casualty Company

with a limit of \$10,000,000 per occurrence, as set forth in the document annexed hereto as

Exhibit "2."

4. Also, there are unresolved issues relating to the exercise equipment at issue in the

Action as it relates to its preservation and storage. The parties have yet to resolve these issues.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the instant application be granted in its

entirety, together with any further relief this Court deems fair and equitable.

Dated:

New York, New York February 14, 2017

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